THE HON'BLE Ms. JUSTICE G. ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO.2502 OF 1997

DATED: 23-01-2007

Between :

Velagapudi Sambasiva Rao ... Petitioner

And

1. Government of Andhra Pradesh, Industries and Commerce Department, rep. By its Principal Secretary, Hyderabad and 2 others. ... Respondents

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ORDER :

There was no representation for the petitioner on 19-1-2007 and even today none appeared for the petitioner.

Heard the learned Counsel appearing for the 3rd respondent.

This writ petition is filed seeking a declaration that the proceedings of the 1st respondent dated 1-1-1997 granting extension of time to the 3rd respondent is arbitrary, illegal and contrary to the provisions of the A.P. Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966.

The material on record shows that pursuant to the impugned memo dated 1-1-1997 the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Guntur issued proceedings dated 29-1-1997 according permission to the 3rd respondent to commence the quarrying operations for extraction of road metal for a period of 10 years from 29-1-1997 to 28-1-2007.

While directing Rule Nisi, this Court ordered that Status quo shall be maintained.

The learned Counsel appearing for the 3rd respondent states that the 3rd respondent could not carry on the mining operations.

Having regard to the fact that the lease period even as per the impugned proceedings would come to an end by 28-1-2007, nothing survives for adjudication on merits and the impugned order has already worked itself out.

Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

G. ROHINI, J.

Dt. 23-1-2007
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